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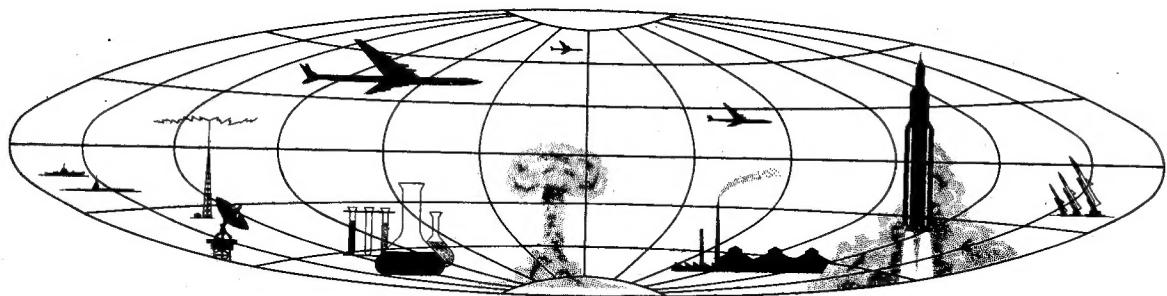


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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3522, DATED 29 MARCH 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1 2243N 08001W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE 2225N 07935W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 2257N 08236W

SITE ABANDONED. NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

FOUR CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, A FAN SONG RADAR AND ASSOCIATED VANS LOCATED IN GUIDANCE AREA. POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES A MORE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

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[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

MATANZAS SAM SITE 2301N 08129W

SIX LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND A CENTRAL  
GUIDANCE AREA VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE 2257N 08317W

NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED. TWO TRUCKS IN AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS WITH MISSILES, ONE  
TRANSPORTER IN CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND A  
CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE REVETMENT.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCH POSITIONS, ONE  
PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTER, A CANVAS-COVERED  
HOLD POSITION, AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN POSITION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS IN POSITION,  
6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN  
HOLD POSITION, AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN POSITION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 6 MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS, AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN POSITION.

25X1D

CHAMBAS SAM SITE 2213N 07853W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS (ONE BEING REVETTED), 6  
CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITION (ONE  
OTHER AT A LAUNCHER), AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN  
POSITION.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN POSITION.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

AREA CONTAINS 25 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 3 TRUCK-  
MOUNTED CRANES, 4 VAN TYPE TRUCKS, APPROXIMATELY  
35 CARGO TRUCKS AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANNISTERS.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

AT LEAST 20 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED. POOR IMAGE  
QUALITY PRECLUDES A MORE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED  
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND A GUIDANCE RADAR IN  
POSITION.

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[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

SIX LAUNCHERS, 6 TRANSPORTERS, 20 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND A GUIDANCE RADAR OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D



HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SIX LAUNCHERS, 6 POSSIBLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS AND A GUIDANCE RADAR VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D



LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2156N 08019W

SITE APPEARS ABANDONED. NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

HEADQUARTERS AREA CONTAINS 46 CRUISE MISSILE-TYPE CRATES, 11 UNIDENTIFIED STEP-ROOF CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES, ONE MOBILE CRANE, AND 80 VEHICLES. WOODED AREA TO EAST CONTAINS AT LEAST ONE STEP-ROOF CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE AND APPROXIMATELY 9 OTHER VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

[REDACTED] 25X1D



-AIRFIELDS-

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

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AIRCRAFT -- ONE PROBABLE CRATE OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

NO AIRCRAFT VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PRESTON AIRFIELD 2044N 07539W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- 6 LIAISON-TYPE AND ONE HOUND.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION (TWO HAVE ONE ENGINE REMOVED), ONE B-26, 2 C-54 AND 3 C-46 IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

[REDACTED] 25X1A

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CRATE, 2 CAB, ONE PBY, 8 COLT, ONE HARE, AND 26 LIAISON/TRAINER OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

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[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED. APPROXIMATELY 60 VEHICLES AT EAST END OF RUNWAY.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 CRATE, ONE CAB, 2 BELL HELICOPTERS, 5 HARE AND 57 HOUND.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 LIAISON TYPE OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 HOUND VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 11 KOMAR CLASS PGMG, 2 PC, ONE PF.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

BANES PORT 2055N 07542W

VESSELS -- ONE COASTAL FREIGHTER.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

PORT CONTAINS NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE TANKER.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- 3 TANKERS, ONE SMALL FREIGHTER, OBSERVED  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
VESSELS -- 2 FREIGHTERS (ONE A LGOV CLASS).

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREA.

25X1D

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

25X1D VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA -- ONE PASSENGER  
(THE [REDACTED]) DOCKED AT SANTA  
CLARA PIER), 21 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE LARGE TANKER,  
6 COASTAL TANKER, 3 TRAWLERS, 2 PC, ONE PF, 5 PT  
(INCLUDING ONE ON MARINE RAILWAY), AND 2 POSSIBLE PT.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

VESSELS -- ONE ATKARSK-TYPE FREIGHTER AT DROZCO PIER  
WITH HATCHES CLOSED.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. CENTER CONTAINS 22  
VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

25X1D



-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2017N 07706W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINETEEN POSSIBLE TANKS/SP GUNS AND 12 POSSIBLE AAA  
OR FA PIECES OBSERVED.

25X1D



ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE A  
DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D



LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-ONE VEHICLES VISIBLE.

25X1D



CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWO TRUCKS OBSERVED  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D



25X1A



HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

NO APPARENT CHANGE FROM DETAILED INTERPRETATION OF  
25X1D [REDACTED] IN COUNT OF DEPLOYMENT OF  
TENTS AND VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT IN VISIBLE

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AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

EL JUCARO, MILITARY AREA 2051N 07543W

5 LARGE AND 7 SMALL TENTS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS,  
VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT VISIBLE.  
POOR IMAGE QUALITY, SCATTERED CLOUDS, AND CLOUD SHADOW  
PRECLUDE A DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

SCATTERED CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND HAZE PRECLUDE  
A DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

SCATTERED CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND HAZE PRECLUDE A  
DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08124W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 45 VEHICLES IN MAIN CAMP AREA,  
AND APPROXIMATELY 15 VEHICLES IN AREA .5 NM WEST.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PURIO, MILITARY AREA 2233N 07952W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

NINETEEN PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS AND 8 PROBABLE TRUCKS  
VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

13 CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS AND  
24 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

SIXTEEN VEHICLES WITH TRAILER OBJECTS AND 10 OTHER  
VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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25X1A

SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W

AT LEAST 5 VEHICLES AT PUNTA REGLA. AT LEAST 50 VEHICLES AT POL AREA WEST OF PUNTA REGLA. NO NEW ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

APPROXIMATELY 15 TRUCKS VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D



TARARA LANDING BEACH 2310N 08212W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

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25X1A

MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. NO ACTIVITY  
OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1D

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1D

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1D

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY CONTINUES.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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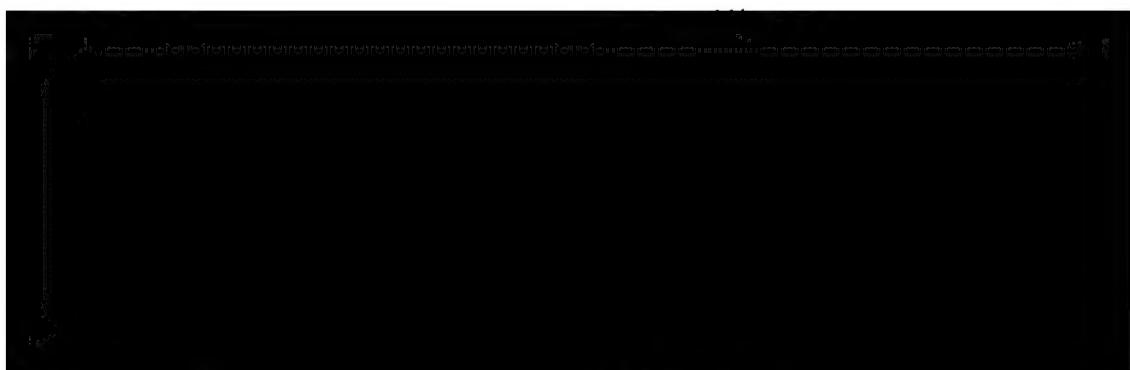
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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE  
LAST COVERAGE --

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES  
CIEGO DE AVILA, SAM ASSEMBLY AREA  
GUANTANAMO AREA 1  
HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA  
CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA  
HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED  
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR  
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH  
MATANZAS LANDING BEACH  
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH  
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH  
NICARO LANDING BEACH

25X1D

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MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA

25X1D

25X1D

25X1D

2303N 08207W  
2152N 07844W  
2005N 07523W  
2301N 08226W  
2126N 07753W  
2307N 08215W  
2301N 08218W  
2254N 08231W  
2300N 08234W  
1957N 07542W  
2301N 08126W  
2202N 08036W  
1957N 07557W  
2042N 07533W

2304N 08133W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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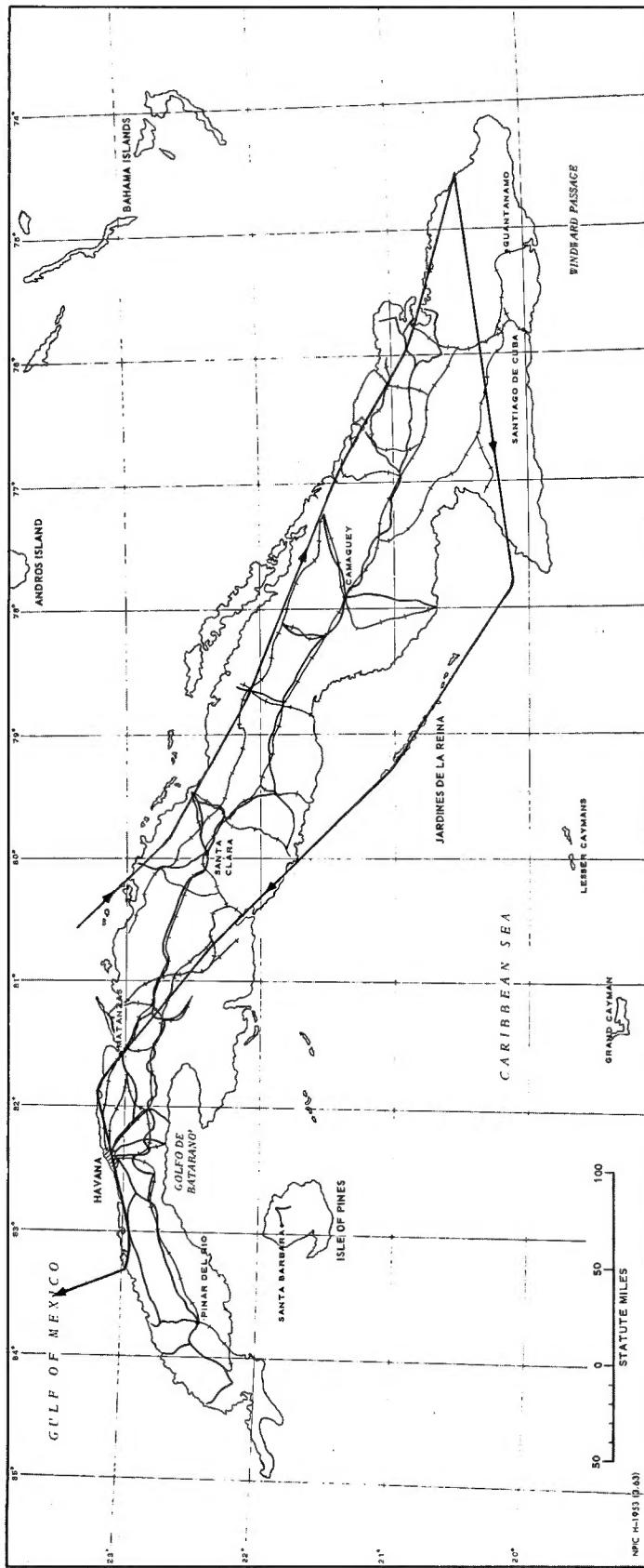
MANATI SAM SITE	2113N 07702W
SENADO SAM SITE	2136N 07733W
SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD	2252N 08231W
LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE	2252N 08233W
MADRUGA, POL. STORAGE	2256N 08149W
LAGUNA SIGUA, MILITARY AREA	1954N 07531W
GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA	2311N 08203W
MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2029N 07530W

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